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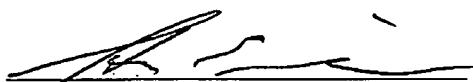
It is respectfully requested that the present application be withdrawn from issue to allow a Request For Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement (both enclosed herewith) to be filed and considered. Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-0005 in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h).

Withdrawal of the present application from issue is necessary for the following reason. A European patent application claiming priority from the present application was filed on April 4, 2002. On November 13, 2003, a Search Report issued from the European Patent Office that cited prior art not yet considered by the Examiner. The

Search Report and additional prior art was issued after the payment of the Issue Fee for the present application, which occurred on September 30, 2003.

Thus, withdrawal of the present application from issue is necessary to allow the enclosed Request For Continued Examination and Information Disclosure Statement to be filed, thereby allowing the Patent Office to consider the additional prior art cited in the European Search Report.

Respectfully submitted,



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